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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Camie S. Thompson

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on Amendment filed on June 21, 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 and 8-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 and 8-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant's amendment and accompanying remarks filed June 21, 2005 have been acknowledged.
2. Examiner acknowledges amended claims 1 and 8.
3. Examiner acknowledges cancelled claims 7 and 13-19.
4. The rejection of claims 8 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph is withdrawn due to applicant's amended claim 8 and cancelled 19.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

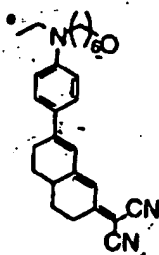
5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

6. Claims 1-6 and 8-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Jen et al., "Polyquinolines: Multifunctional Polymers for Electro-optic and Light-Emitting Applications".

The reference discloses the use of a non-linear optical chromophore with the following structure



The structure listed above and found in the reference reads on compound represented in the instant claims when B and C are cyano; A is a substituted cyclohexene and Z is an electron donating group, -N(ethyl) (CH₂)₆-O per instant claims 1-3. The chromophore can be used in the luminescent layer of a light emitting device that comprises an indium tin oxide substrate on to a top electrode (see page 473). Additionally, the reference discloses that CuPc is used in the hole injection/transport layer (see page 476). Also, page 477 of the reference discloses a multilayer light emitting diode comprising a cathode. Figures 5 and 6 on page 477 of the reference disclose Alq₃ in the organic electroluminescent layer. An electron-transporting layer is disclosed in the reference on page 476. The reference also discloses that the organic electroluminescent layer can comprise an aromatic amine such as TPD. The reference discloses optical thin films of the polyquinolines have a thickness in the range of 1-2 μm (see page 473).


Response to Arguments

7. Applicant's arguments filed June 21, 2005 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. In the previous Office Action, examiner indicated allowability of claim 7. Examiner regrets the withdrawal of allowability. Applicant cancelled claim 7 and incorporated claim 7 into claim 1. The thickness of the optical thin films of side chain polyquinolines is disclosed in the reference. The reference discloses that the thickness is from 1-2μm. Applicant claims a range of 1 nm to about 1 μm. The reference does read on all the limitations of claim 1.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Camie S. Thompson whose telephone number is (571) 272-1530. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rena L Dye, can be reached at (571) 272-3186. The fax phone number for the Group is 571-273-8300.

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